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SUBJECT: STAMP SCANDAL: TRIAL MAY BEGIN MID-APRIL

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1. DURING MARCH 31 CONVERSATION WITH ME BRUTUS PROVIDED FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON STAMP SCANDAL:

A. DOCUMENTS FOUND IN FRANTZ LEROY'S HOUSE INDICATE FORGERIES WERE PREPARED THERE; HIS WIFE MARLENE HAS ADMITTED TYPING FALSIFIED LETTERS; INCRIMINATING TYPEWRITER FOUND ON PREMISES. SHE WAS ARRESTED LAST WEEK. LEROY TELEPHONED BROTHER TO BURN PAPERS BUT POLICE ARRIVED ON SCENE FIRST.

- B. EUGENE MAXIMILIEN'S SON ACTED AS INTERMEDIARY BETWEEN HIS FATHER AND SERGE FOURCAND, AND HAS SO TESTIFIED.
- C. INTERROGATION OVER WEEKEND OF FOURCAND'S BODYGUARD, ONE DOMINGUE, HAS PROVIDED FURTHER EVIDENCE INCRIMINATING THE EXCOMMERCE MINISTER.
- D. GOVT PLANS TO BRING DEFENDENTS TO TRIAL BY MID-APRIL AND IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEREFORE ANXIOUS TO OBTAIN WHATEVER ASSISTANCE USG CAN PROVIDE,

INCLUDING EXTRADITION OF LEROY AND MAXIMILIEN (PAUP 702, 559), AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. NOW THAT MAJOR ELEMENTS OF INVESTIGATION ARE COMPLETE, PRESIDENT DUVALIER WANTS TO MOVE AHEAD.

2. I TOLD BRUTUS USG AUTHORITIES WERE DISCUSSING CASE TODAY AND THAT I HOPED TO HAVE A STATUS REPORT FOR HIM BY WEDNESDAY. I ADVISED HIM THAT LEGAL PROCEDURES FOR EXTRADITION BASED ON 1904 TREATY WOULD, OF COURSE, HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED. ISHAM

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